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FM AMEMBASSY MOGADISCIO

TO SECSTATE WASHDC PRIORITY 2601

INFO AMEMBASSY ADDIS ABABA

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B. MOGADISCIO 0127 (NOTAL)

1. MUCH APPRECIATE REF A'S INDICATION THAT
AID/W WILL SEEK APPROVAL OF 15,000 METRIC TONS OF
FOOD. WE HAVE DISCUSSED PROPOSED COMMODITIES WITH
LOCAL WFP REP, VISITING UNDRO EXPERT STANISSIS
AND SOMALI AUTHORITIES.

2. CHAIRMAN SOMALI DROUGHT ORGANIZATION TELLS US
ALL THREE ITEMS--GRAIN SORGHUM, SOYA FORTIFIED
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SORGHUM GRITS AND SOYA-FORTIFIED BULGAR WHEAT-- ARE

ACCEPTABLE. THEY STATE HOWEVER THAT THERE IS "SLIGHT DOUBT IN OUR MIND ABOUT SUITABILITY OF SOYA FORTIFIED SORGHUM GRITS". THEY HAVE THEREFORE ASKED THAT "SOME SAMPLE" OF THIS COMMODITY BE SENT AHEAD OF TIME.

3. WFP AND UNDRO REPRESENTATIVES CONCUR THAT ALL THREE COMMODITIES CAN BE USED. WFP REF HAS TOLD SOMALIS HE WILL SHOW THEM HOW TO COOK BULGAR WHEAT. HE AND UNDRO REP THINK THERE WILL BE NO RPT NO TROUBLE ABOUT SORGHUM GRITS ONCE SOMALIS SEE WHAT THEY ARE.

4. ALL OF OUR SOURCES CONCUR THAT COMMODITIES MUST BE BAGGED. SOMALIS DO NOT RPT NOT HAVE FACILITIES FOR HANDLING BULK SHIPMENTS.

5. I MADE POINT REF A THAT SHIPMENT TO BERBERA RATHER THAN MOGADISCIO WOULD SPEED DELIVERY AND REDUCE SHIPPING COSTS. SOMALIS HAVE INFORMED US THAT PORT OF DELIVERY SHOULD NEVERTHELESS BE MOGADISCIO. WHILE SEAS DO TEND TO BUILD UP AFTER LATE APRIL, PORT IS BY NO RPT NO MEANS "INOPERABLE" (ROME 0927). BERBERA WOULD HOWEVER HAVE ADVANTAGES AND WE WOULD CERTAINLY HAVE NO RPT NO OBJECTION TO UN SYSTEM TRYING TO CHANGE GSDR'S MIND ON THIS POINT.

6. SOMALIS SUGGEST THAT FIRST CONSIGNMENT OF SORGHUM AND BULGAR WHEAT BE DESPATCHED TO ARRIVE MOGADISCIO TOWARDS END OF APRIL AND THAT REMAINING CONSIGNMENT COME TWO TO THREE WEEKS LATER. THUS, THERE DOES NOT RPT NOT APPEAR TO BE NEED TO DIVERT COMMODITIES AFTER PROGRAM APPROVED (AND, AS NOTED REF B, PORT WILL BE FAIRLY CROWDED UNTIL MID-APRIL).

7. WE HAVE INFORMED GSDR THAT ANY COMMODITIES WOULD BE PROVIDED FOR FREE DIRECT DISTRIBUTION TO CICTIMS OF EMERGENCY.

8. AS NOTED REF B, WE FEEL THAT WE CAN MONITOR RECEIPT AND WE WILL WORK TOGETHER WITH WFP ON MONITORING OF DISTRIBUTION.

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9. FOR ADDIS AND NAIROBI: IF YOU HAVE TWENTY OF THIRTY LBS. OF SOYA FORTIFIED SORGHUM GRITS WHICH YOU COULD SEND US, THIS WOULD PROBABLY TAKE CARE OF GSDR'S HESITANCY ABOUT THIS COMMODITY.
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